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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 January 2007.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-22 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-22 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 05 June 2003 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 6) Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. Original application contained claims 1 – 27. Claims 23 – 27 have been canceled the amendment filed have been entered and made of record. Presently, pending claims are 1 – 22.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

2. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 1/29/2007 has been entered.

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments on 35 U.S.C. §112 1st Paragraph rejection with respect to the subject matter of the instant claims have been fully considered but are not persuasive.

4. As per claim 1 and 13, Applicant's arguments on 35 U.S.C. 102(b) rejection with respect to the subject matter of the instant claims but are not persuasive because selecting for encryption using packet identifier is not specifically disclosed on either one

of the original specifications such as Provisional 60/054,575 (filed on 8/1/1997) or U.S. CIP Patent 5,742,677 (filed 4/3/1995).

However, a new addition of ground rejection Wasilewski et al. (U.S. Patent 5,359,601) is also enclosed as supplemental support material besides the previous prior-art reference Wasilewski (U.S. Patent 5,418,782) on record.

5. Furthermore, claims 1 and 13 are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 13 of copending Application No. 10/602,987 as a result of the amendment filed October 30, 2006 by the copending application to add the claim limitation "selecting for encryption using PID".

Objection

6. The specification is objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claim amendment filed 8/1/2006 because selecting for encryption using packet identifier is not specifically disclosed on one of the original specifications (Provisional 60/054,575: Page 28 Line 25-28 & SPEC: Page 27 Line 16 – 26). See 37 CFR 1.75(d)(1) and MPEP § 608.01(o).

7. The specification is objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claim amendment filed 8/1/2006 because selecting for encryption using packet identifier is not specifically disclosed on the 2nd one of the original specification (U.S. CIP Patent 5,742,677 filed 4/3/1995). See 37 CFR 1.75(d)(1) and MPEP § 608.01(o).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

8. Claims 1 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to support the alleged claim limitation "selecting for encryption based on an packet identifier". According to (a) one of the original disclosure of the specification (i.e. Provisional 60/054,575: Page 28 Line 25-28 & SPEC: Page 27 Line 16 – 26) that indicates "A subcategory of information can thus be identified by the PID of its packets. As shown at output packets 707, the output from MUX704 is a sequence of individual packets from the various subcategories. Any part or all of MPEG-2 transport stream 701 may be encrypted"; and (b) the 2nd one of the original specification (U.S. CIP Patent 5,742,677 filed 4/3/1995). Therefore, "selecting for encryption based on an packet identifier" is not specifically supported by original disclosures of the instant application and claim limitations and the claims 1 and 13 were amended to include "selecting for encryption based on an packet identifier" in the amendment filed August 1, 2006 and is not considered as part of the original CIP disclosures either from Provisional 60/054,575 or from U.S. CIP Patent 5,742,677. Any other claims not addressed are also rejected accordingly by virtue of their dependency.

Double Patenting

The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. See *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent is shown to be commonly owned with this application. See 37 CFR 1.130(b).

Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

Claims 1 and 13 (& associated dependent claims) are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 13 of copending Application No. 10/602,987. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because claims 1 and 13 of the instant application are envisioned by the claims of

copending application that contain all the limitations of claims of the instant application as a result of the amendment filed October 30, 2006 by the copending application to add the claim limitation "selecting for encryption using PID" and as such are unpatentable for obvious-type double patenting.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 102 that forms the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

- (a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.
- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

9. Claims 1 – 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) and 102(a) as being anticipated by Wasilewski et al. (U.S. Patent 5,359,601) – as per filing date March 8, 1993 for 102(e) and per publication date October 25, 1994 for 102(a) rejections, respectively.

As per claim 1 and 13, Wasilewski teaches a method for providing an instance in a conditional access system, the method comprising the steps of:

selecting for encryption a digital bit stream from a plurality of digital bit streams using an identifier (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9: one or more bit streams of audio, video and data streams can be selected for encryption and each basic service component / transport data stream has an unique identifier);

encrypting the selected digital bit stream according to a first level encryption method to provide an encrypted instance (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9: each basic service comprises a set of one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) that can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted);

combining the encrypted instance with the plurality of digital bit streams to provide a partially-encrypted bit stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9), and

transmitting the partially -encrypted bit stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9: by multiplexing the service component bit streams).

As per claim 13, Wasilewski teaches a method for providing a program in a conditional access system, the method comprising the steps of:

selecting a program from a transport stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 4 Line 35 – 44 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9: (a) one or more bit streams of audio, video and data streams can be selected for encryption and each basic service component / transport data stream has an unique identifier and (b) a basic service is a service program that has service components video (V), audio (A) or data (CC));

encrypting a portion of the program Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52);

combining the encrypted portion and the remaining portion of the program with the transport stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9); and

transmitting the combined stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9: by multiplexing the service component bit streams).

As per claim 2, 4, 14 and 15, Wasilewski teaches each of the plurality of digital bit streams includes a packet identifier, and wherein the selecting step selects the digital bit stream by identifying a predetermined packet identifier (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9: (a) the system transmit multiplexed a plurality of service components (i.e. video (V), audio (A) and data (CC)) in a packetized format of a transport data stream (Column 5 Line 52 – 55) and (b) each of service components of a basic service has an unique service component ID (Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 –

9). Therefore, the service component ID within a packet is considered as a packet ID – i.e. a packet identifier is indicative of at least one of service components such as a video stream, an audio stream, and a data stream).

As per claim 3, Wasilewski teaches all of the selected digital bit stream is encrypted according to the first level encryption method (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 5, Wasilewski teaches a portion of the selected digital bit stream is encrypted, wherein the encrypted portion and an unencrypted portion of the selected digital stream are combined with the plurality of digital bit streams (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 6, Wasilewski teaches the selected digital bit stream is a program (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 35 – 44: a basic service is a service program that has service components V, A or CC).

As per claim 7, Wasilewski teaches the selected digital bit stream is an elementary digital bit stream (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 35 – 44: a basic service is an elementary digital bit stream that has service components V, A or CC).

As per claim 8, Wasilewski teaches selecting more than one digital bit stream from the plurality of digital bit streams, wherein the more than one digital bit stream is identified by predetermined packet identifiers (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9).

As per claim 9, Wasilewski teaches each of the more than one digital bit stream includes a distinct packet identifier, wherein the selecting step selects the more than one digital bit stream by identifying at least one of the distinct packet identifiers (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9).

As per claim 10, Wasilewski teaches a portion of each of the more than one digital bit stream is encrypted according to the first level encryption method (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 11, Wasilewski teaches all of the more than one digital bit stream is encrypted according to the first level encryption method (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52; one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 12, Wasilewski teaches at least one of a portion of each of the more than one digital bit stream and all of the more than one digital bit stream is encrypted according to the first level encryption method (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9; one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 16, Wasilewski teaches the encrypted portion includes at least one of the plurality of packets associated with the video stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52).

As per claim 17, Wasilewski teaches the at least one of the plurality of packets is selected by the packet identifier indicative of the video stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9).

As per claim 18, Wasilewski teaches the encrypted portion includes at least one of plurality of packets associated with the audio stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52).

As per claim 19, Wasilewski teaches the at least one of the plurality of packets is selected by the packet identifier indicative of the audio stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9).

As per claim 20, Wasilewski teaches the encrypted portion includes at least one of the plurality of packets associated with the data stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52).

As per claim 21, Wasilewski teaches the at least one of the plurality of packets is selected by the packet identifier indicative of the data stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9).

As per claim 22, Wasilewski teaches the encrypted portion includes at least one of the plurality of packets associated with at least one of the video stream, the audio stream, and the data stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 42 – 52, Column 5 Line 51 – 55 / Line 16 – 24 and Column 7 Line 10 – 35 / Line 6 – 9).

10. Claims 1 – 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wasilewski (U.S. Patent 5,418,782).

As per claim 1 and 13, Wasilewski teaches a method for providing an instance in a conditional access system, the method comprising the steps of:

selecting for encryption a digital bit stream from a plurality of digital bit streams using an identifier (Wasilewski: Figure 1 and Column 4 Line 65 – Column 5 Line 7 and Column 13 Line 65 – Column 14 Line 5: (a) one or more bit streams of audio, video and data streams can be selected for encryption and besides, (b) each type of audio, video and data streams is uniquely assigned a packet ID (PID) and as such Wasilewski does teach selecting for encryption a digital bit stream from a plurality of digital bit streams using an identifier – at least this prior-art rejection is consistent with the disclosure of the original specification (i.e. Provisional 60/054,575: Page 28 Line 25-28 & SPEC: Page 27 Line 16 – 26) that indicates "A subcategory of information can thus be identified by the PID of its packets. As shown at output packets 707, the output from MUX704 is a sequence of individual packets from the various subcategories. Any part or all of MPEG-2 transport stream 701 may be encrypted");

encrypting the selected digital bit stream according to a first level encryption method to provide an encrypted instance (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 65 – 67: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted);

combining the encrypted instance with the plurality of digital bit streams to provide a partially-encrypted bit stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 Element 16 and Column 4 Line 65 – 67), and

transmitting the partially -encrypted bit stream (Wasilewski: Figure 1 Element 16 and Column 5 Line 4 – 15: by multiplexing the service component bit streams).

As per claim 2, 4, 14 and 15, Wasilewski teaches each of the plurality of digital bit streams includes a packet identifier, and wherein the selecting step selects the digital bit stream by identifying a predetermined packet identifier (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 and Figure 1 Element 16).

As per claim 3, Wasilewski teaches all of the selected digital bit stream is encrypted according to the first level encryption method (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 65 – 67: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 5, Wasilewski teaches a portion of the selected digital bit stream is encrypted, wherein the encrypted portion and an unencrypted portion of the selected digital stream are combined with the plurality of digital bit streams (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 65 – 67: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 6, Wasilewski teaches the selected digital bit stream is a program (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16).

As per claim 7, Wasilewski teaches the selected digital bit stream is an elementary digital bit stream (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16).

As per claim 8, Wasilewski teaches selecting more than one digital bit stream from the plurality of digital bit streams, wherein the more than one digital bit stream is identified by predetermined packet identifiers (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 and Figure 1).

As per claim 9, Wasilewski teaches each of the more than one digital bit stream includes a distinct packet identifier, wherein the selecting step selects the more than one digital bit stream by identifying at least one of the distinct packet identifiers (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 and Figure 1).

As per claim 10, Wasilewski teaches a portion of each of the more than one digital bit stream is encrypted according to the first level encryption method (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 65 – 67: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 11, Wasilewski teaches all of the more than one digital bit stream is encrypted according to the first level encryption method (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 65 – 67: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 12, Wasilewski teaches at least one of a portion of each of the more than one digital bit stream and all of the more than one digital bit stream is encrypted according to the first level encryption method (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 65 – 67: one or more service components, such as video (V), audio (A), and data (CC) can be encrypted / or not-encrypted prior to transmission – i.e., any part of transport stream can be encrypted).

As per claim 16, Wasilewski teaches the encrypted portion includes at least one of the plurality of packets associated with the video stream (Wasilewski: Column 4 Line 65 – 67 and Figure 1).

As per claim 17, Wasilewski teaches the at least one of the plurality of packets is selected by the packet identifier indicative of the video stream (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 and Column 4 Line 65 – 67 and Figure 1).

As per claim 18, Wasilewski teaches the encrypted portion includes at least one of plurality of packets associated with the audio stream (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 Column 4 Line 65 – 67 and Figure 1).

As per claim 19, Wasilewski teaches the at least one of the plurality of packets is selected by the packet identifier indicative of the audio stream (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 Column 4 Line 65 – 67 and Figure 1).

As per claim 20, Wasilewski teaches the encrypted portion includes at least one of the plurality of packets associated with the data stream (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 Column 4 Line 65 – 67 and Figure 1).

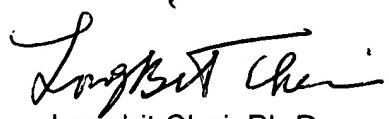
As per claim 21, Wasilewski teaches the at least one of the plurality of packets is selected by the packet identifier indicative of the data stream (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 Column 4 Line 65 – 67 and Figure 1).

As per claim 22, Wasilewski teaches the encrypted portion includes at least one of the plurality of packets associated with at least one of the video stream, the audio stream, and the data stream (Wasilewski: Column 13 Line 57 – Column 14 Line 16 Column 4 Line 65 – 67 and Figure 1).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Longbit Chai whose telephone number is 571-272-3788. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm.

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